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AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s): Hiroyuki HANAO, et al.

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

S I R :

This is responsive to the Office Action mailed
September 24, 2008, the term for response to which expires on
October 24, 2008.

Submitted herewith is a replacement "Amendments to the
Specification" section, beginning on page 3 of this paper, in
which the amendment at page 8, lines 3-4 is properly identified.

In addition, submitted herewith is a replacement "Listing of
Claims" section, beginning on page 10 of this paper, in which
claim 4 is provided with the proper status identifier (Previously
Presented), and in which claim 5 has been amended to insert the
missing word "has."

This paper is being submitted
via EFS-Web on October 6, 2008

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late filed, and the necessary
petition for extension of time
is not filed concurrently
herewith, please consider this
as a Petition for the requisite
extension of time, and to the
extent not already paid,
authorization to charge the
extension fee to Account
No. 06-1378. In addition,
authorization is hereby given to
charge any fees for which
payment has not been submitted,
or to credit any overpayments,
to Account No. 06-1378.

No new matter has been added, and it is respectfully requested that the amendments to the specification be approved and entered, and that prosecution on the merits now proceed.

If the Examiner has any further comments, questions, objections or recommendations, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number given below for prompt action.

Respectfully submitted,

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